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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE SEYCHELLES INTEREST IN HELICOPTERS

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1. GILES REMNANT, SALES MANAGER OF AUTAIR HELICOPTERS (NAIROBI-BASED BELL REPRESENTATIVE) MET WITH SEYCHELLES' PRIME MINISTER F.A. RENE FEBRUARY 14 TO PRESENT COPY OF SPECIALLY PREPARED FEASIBILITY STUDY ON APPLICATION OF HELICOPTERS TO SEYCHELLES' DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR OUTER ISLANDS. MULTI-SECTION, ATTRACTIVELY PRESENTED STUDY WHICH CONTAINED DETAILED INITIAL AND OPERATING COST DATA ON BELL'S TWIN-ENGINE 14 PASSENGER 212 MODEL WAS PREPARED IN U.S. BY TEXTON'S BELL DIVISION FOLLOWING DECEMBER 1976 MEETING OF HELICOPTER REPS WITH RENE (REFTEL).

2. REMNANT BRIEFED US ON RESULTS OF TWO-HOUR MEETING AND INDICATED HE WAS EXTREMELY ENCOURAGED BY RENE'S INTEREST IN SUBJECT AND RECEPTIVE ATTITUDE TOWARD BELL PRODUCTS. IN FEBRUARY 17 MEETING, RENE TOLD CHARGE AND VISITING DESK OFFICER, RICHARD BAKER, THAT HE IS EXTREMELY OPTOMISTIC ABOUT FUTURE ROLE OF HELICOPTERS IN SEYCHELLES' DEVELOPMENT PLANS. HE HAD EVEN PERSONALLY CONSTRUCTED OTHER POSSIBLE TRAFFIC PATTERNS AND CALCULATED
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COST PER SEAL MILE FIGURES FROM INFORMATION PROVIDED IN BELL STUDY.

3. ACCORDING REMNANT, SALES REPRESENTATIVES FROM SOUTH AFRICAN AND WEST GERMAN HELICOPTER MANUFACTURERS RECENTLY VISITED SEYCHELLES BUT THEIR PRODUCTS WERE NOT CONSIDERED SUITABLE BY GOS.

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